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- 1. REGRET DELAY THIS "SOONEST" RESPONSE. MATTERS DRASTICALLY COMPLICATED BY ABSENCE MINFIN IN PARIS AND TOTAL INVOLVEMENT ALL TOP PALACE AND MINISTRY AIDES IN ARAB SUMMIT THROUGHOUT PERIOD SINCE REFTEL RECEIVED.
- 2. NEITHER EMBASSY OR MINISTRY FINANCE HAVE RECORD EARLIER TRANSMITTAL PROPOSED MESSAGE. FRENCH VERSION HAND CARRIED DAY AFTER MESSAGE RECEIVED TO OTHMAN SLIMANI, SECRETARY OF STATE, MINISTRY OF FINANCE. SLIMANI HOPED OBTAIN NEXT-DAY APPROVAL MINFIN, BUT LATTER LEFT FOR PARIS TO PRESIDE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK WITHOUT HAVING TIME TO FOCUS ON OPIC DRAFT. EXTENSION OF ARAB SUMMIT HAS FURTHER DISTRACTED ATTENTION.
- 3. IF NECESSARY, OPIC SHOULD GO AHEAD WITH PUBLICATION. IF FEW MORE DAYS WOULD STILL PERMIT TIMELY APPEARANCE REPORT, WE BELIEVE MOROCCAN APPROVAL WILL BE FORTHCOMING.NEUMANN

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